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Dear Interested Public:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing several complimentary actions which would improve drinking water quality for Idaho City residents. In addition, the projects would improve overall water quality for fisheries in Elk and Mores creeks by reducing sediment generated from BLM land in the watershed.

The proposed actions are one part of a larger project that addresses issues and opportunities that cross ownership boundaries, and involves the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), private landowners, and BLM. The project is envisioned as a multi-year project that complements numerous actions by the USFS and private citizens to address water quality, erosion, stream bank stability, and fisheries habitat in Elk Creek, Mores Creek, and Grimes Creek in the Idaho City area.

Please review the pre-decisional Environmental Assessment (# ID-110-2008-EA-117), and draft Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The interested public is asked to provide written comments within 15 days after receipt of this letter to: BLM, c/o Rosemary Thomas, 3948 Development Boulevard, Boise, Idaho 83705. If you would like to view the documents electronically, it is available online at <http://www.blm.gov/id/st/en/info/nepa.2.html>.

If you have any questions, please contact Allen Tarter, Natural Resources Specialist, at (208) 384-3349.

Sincerely,

/s/

Rosemary Thomas
Four Rivers Field Manager

Enclosures:
Elk Creek Water Quality Environmental Assessment
Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)